

CR13-Concours Scoring, Archives Yearly Concours Results

JCNA Concours Committee
2014 Annual Report

February 1, 2014

In 2013 JCNA held a total of 46 Concours d'Elegance competition events. The breakout by region was:

North Central: 11

North East: 6

North West: 5

South Central: 8

South East: 8

South West: 8

A total of 985 judges are listed on club rosters with 823 listed as qualified for an 84% rate.

There were a total of 1343 Concours entries in 2013. Champion (598), Driven (539), Special (66), Display 139. A breakout by class is attached.

The Concours Committee is responsible for Concours policy and management, sanctioning events and approving all Concours reports. Clubs submit Sanction Requests online and the Committee reviews them for schedule conflicts and minimum number of certified judges as specified by the Rule Book. Once a Concours Event is completed each club is required to submit a Scores Report and Judge Report using the JCNA Online Scoring System (OSS). The Committee then reviews the Judge Report verifying the minimum number of certified judges was assigned to each class and the Scores Report verifying cars were entered in correct classes and entries were made correctly. This year two Concours events had some classes invalidated due to insufficient certified judges assigned to the classes.

Until January 2014 there was no Concours Committee as there are with Rally and Slalom. Sanctioning and event approvals were done by the Concours Archivist; Technical issues and Rule Book management were done by the JCNA Concours Rules Committee (JCRC) and protests were managed by the Protest Committee. As there was no group responsible for overall Concours policy and management, the JCNA President formed a Concours Committee as a Special Committee in accordance with JCNA Corporate Policy. The proposal to make this a Standing Committee is being presented to the 2014 AGM for approval. This Committee will have a Chairman and one member from each region as appointed by their Regional Directors. The intent is for each region to have a "go-to" person to air suggestions, complaints and issues. These will then come to the CC for discussion and action. The CC charter, as presented to the 2014 AGM makes it clear that the CC does not exert oversight or authority over either the JCRC or Protest Committee. Any recommendations the CC may have which affects either will be coordinated through them.

Concours Issues Being Addressed

1. **Judge Qualification.** Prior to 2012, the Rule Book only required one qualified judge on each judging team. The other team members only need be JCNA members with no knowledge of the rules or technical expertise required. The JCRC proposal to increase minimum Champion Division judges to two and Driven Division judges to one was passed at the 2013 AGM. The JCRC now proposes to increase the minimums to three and two respectively meaning that all required judges will now be certified. The Concours Committee fully indorses this proposal. It is not fair to have a car judged by a person who has no knowledge of the rules or how to complete a score sheet. The Concours Committee's ultimate goal is to have judges certified in specific classes. This certification will not only require Rule Book qualification but technical qualification in the class he/she is certified for.
2. **Concours Scores Inflation.** JCNA's reputation for fair and accurate Concours judging is in jeopardy. Where an outsider may think that a score of 99.95 reflects a near-perfect car, in fact, today that reflects just an average car. Many of our judges lack the technical competence to identify non-authentic items and just inspect for cleanliness and condition. Further there is a tendency to be the "good guy" and make only small deductions to avoid confrontation. Further some clubs now have the reputation for handing out multiple 100 point scores. As a result, people seeking North American awards seek out these clubs and avoid the ones that more accurately judge the cars. The solution to this problem is twofold. First, by increasing Judge competency, more deductions will be made and the scores lowered. Secondly the CC concurs with the proposal to differentiate 100 point ties in the National Standings by using composite total scores.
3. **Single Place Classes.** We currently have 22 Champion Division classes, 14 Driven Division classes and 4 Special Division classes. As a result, many Concours have classes with only a single entry and instant first place trophy. It may be nice to have the trophy but nothing to be very proud of. This is being researched and the CC concurs with any proposal to combine classes yet remain fair to the entrants.
4. **New (younger) Member Participation.** The trend is showing more and more Display-Only entries in our Concours. Many new club members seem to be intimidated by Concours competition. The CC will make it a priority to find ways to make the competition more attractive.

Respectfully submitted:

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2013 Concours Attendance

| CLASS | DESCRIPTION | # | CLASS | DESCRIPTION | # |
|-------|----------------------|----|---------|--------------------|-----|
| C01A | Classic Tourer/OTS | 2 | D01 | All classics | 47 |
| C01B | Classic DHC/Saloon | 16 | D02 | Etype 61-67 | 59 |
| C02 | XK120 | 27 | D03 | Etype 68-71 | 61 |
| C03 | XK140 | 21 | D04 | Etype 71-75 | 28 |
| C04 | XK150 | 41 | D05 | Early Saloons | 29 |
| C05 | EType S1 | 54 | D06 | XJ6/12 68-92 | 26 |
| C06 | EType S2 | 29 | D07 | XJ6/12 87-97 | 32 |
| C07 | Etype S3 | 26 | D08A | XJS 76-91 | 20 |
| C08 | Early Large Saloon | 11 | D08B | XJS 91-96 | 49 |
| C09 | Early Small Saloon | 18 | D09A | XK8 96-06 | 77 |
| C10 | XJ6/12 S1 | 3 | D09B | XK8 07 - on | 26 |
| C11 | XJ6/12 S2 | 10 | D10 | XJ8 | 37 |
| C12 | XJ6/12 S3 | 13 | D11 | Stype | 28 |
| C13 | XJ40 | 21 | D12 | XF | 5 |
| C14 | XJ8 | 48 | D13 | XJ Sedan 2010 - on | 1 |
| C15A | XJS 87-94 | 30 | D14 | Ftype | 1 |
| C15B | XJS 91-96 | 33 | | | |
| C16A | XK8 96-06 | 57 | S1 | | 4 |
| C16B | XK8 07 -on | 39 | S2 | | 10 |
| C17 | Stype | 21 | S3 | | 46 |
| C18 | Xtype | 13 | S4 | | 6 |
| C19A | Preservation over 35 | 30 | | | |
| C19B | Preservation 20-35 | 11 | DISPLAY | | 139 |
| C20 | XF 2008 - on | 4 | | | |
| C21 | XJ 2010 on | 6 | | | |
| C22 | Ftype | 5 | | | |